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South Canterbury Branch

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April 2017

Newsletter

Social/Luncheon Followed by our AGM

THURSDAY 8 June 2017

SEVEN OAKS RECEPTION CENTRE

Wai-iti Road TIMARU

12noon SOCIAL GET TOGETHER, followed by LUNCH and the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

RESERVATION & PAYMENT

Please notify the secretary by Friday 2nd June if you are attending, by returning the Reservation Form to

12 Wilson Street, Timaru 7910 or Phone 684 8814 or email

walriggo@clear.net.nz

Please understand once you have booked, our Branch is obliged to pay, whether you attend or not.



Our branch is now subsidising these functions. Our committee have decided the cost of this function will be \$15.00 per head. If you live alone, you are welcome to bring a friend at this cost.

- * The Dessert is to be enhanced
- * Fruit juice will be supplied
- * A free drink will be available at the bar

Go shopping before and after our Function

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

While the South Canterbury G S A Branch covers a wide area, its members strongly support the Branch activities with very good numbers attending each function.

Many of you will remember Ross Calderwood who was our Representative on the National Executive for quite a few years. Ross was a good friend and served the Branch well. He died on 6th February this year.

A Secretaries seminar was held last year, which Warren attended. It was most helpful towards the administration of our local branch. Head Office are arranging a further Seminar in May this year. There has been a great improvement in the liaison with Head Office.

My personal thanks go to Warren Iggo who has worked hard as Secretary/treasurer. Long may he remain, he is so valuable. His wife Lindsay, is his great supporter, always quietly in the background, helping him and looking after the Committee at their meetings.

I would also like to thank the entire Committee for their support over the past year.

The "Annuity News" is an update on information from our National Body. I hope you all read it from cover to cover.

We look forward to seeing you all at our A G M in June this year and at our end of year dinner.

Alison Ferriss

We send every Best Wish to our Board Representative Diane Ward for the speedy recovery of her husband, John, who has not been at all well of late.



SECRETARY'S CORNER

Our Branch Membership stands at 406.

We had 40 members at our Luncheon in June 2016.

66 members came to our Christmas Luncheon.

We are fully aware health and distance prevents many of our members from attending functions. We thank those who take the time to send us an apology for non-attendance. (It keeps us in touch.)

My task of keeping track is much easier when you tell me of your change of address. Remember when your family arrange your transfer to a Rest Home please get them to let me know which Rest Home. We lose touch with many of our people during this transition, as the Rest Homes won't let us know because of the Privacy Act.

With increasing requirements for Secretary/Treasurer to be computer literate our Committee has been insisting that a new efficient computer be purchased for the Branch.

We have just taken delivery of an ACER Desktop model. The purchase will not show on this year's balance sheet as it was purchased after the 31 March.

Remember the next Secretary will inherit this Branch Computer for their use. (Any volunteers?)

Brief Statement of Accounts (not yet reviewed)

1 April 2016	Balance	\$7589.13
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31 March 2017	Balance	\$7750.72
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Interest earned	\$175.48
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Total meal: sweets; drinks. SUBSIDY paid	\$410.00
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COLA: You will all have noticed a small increase in your Annuity since the 1st April. Interesting to note, it differs from the "National Superannuation" increase.

Remember this Newsletter is sent to all 406 of our Members. ' Non-Members' drawing Government Superannuation DO NOT RECEIVE THIS NEWSLETTER.

I wish to nominate the following to be elected to our G S A Committee
2017 to 2018

Name.....
Nominated by.....
Seconded by.....
Agreed to



An amusing notice found at Cook, on the Nullabor Plains, Australia. The hospital is long closed, as is the "town".

SOUTH CANTERBURY GSA

Registration for Mid Winter Luncheon and A G M at Seven Oaks, Wai-iti Road Thursday 8th June 2017.

Name.....Phone.....

Accompanied by.....

I enclose my cheque \$15.00 (one person) \$30.00 two people []

I have paid by internet to Bank No 12 3159 0030475 00 [] Please include your Name in Transfer

I shall pay at door []

Ill health prevents my attendance []

Detach and send to 12 Wilson St by 2nd June or Phone 03 684 8814 or email: southcant@gsa.org.nz